NSF/DOE Community Atmospheric Model: Total Precipitable Water Visualization





Objective

 The Climate Science Computational End Station (CCES) aims to predict future climates by using scenarios of anthropogenic emissions and other changes resulting from U.S. energy policy decisions.

Technology

- NSF/DOE Community Atmosphere Model (CAM5):
 A 3D global model used to predict atmospheric behavior and its effect on other climate systems.
- Demonstrated a two-year simulation at 1/8 degree global resolution with full prognostic aerosols and monthly varying sea surface temperatures derived from observations.
- Performed on 64K cores of Intrepid (25 million total core-hours), running at 0.25 simulated years/day
- ParaView generated Animation sifts through 916GB of results data.

Impact

- Visualization clearly shows hurricanes in Atlantic and Pacific.
 - Top right: a Katrina-like hurricane makes landfall while another prepares to travel along the eastern U.S. coast.
 - Direct right: Two typhoons interacting in the Pacific.
- Presented by Warren Washington, INCITE PI, at the 92nd
 American Meteorological Society Meeting.
 - "We are on the threshold of simulating the global high-resolution atmosphere circulation on decadal and century time scales and this animation demonstrates this new capability."





